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REBELETTE

SCRAPBOOK

1976-1977



S-1 & S-2 S.E. Wilhoyte
1976-77

S-1 & S-2 J.L. Riddle
1977-78

THE REBELETTES



at work,



at leisure.

RALPHIE
OUR
MASCOT



BRUCE BOHANON
OUR
MDI FOR TWO
YEARS.





REBELETES - 1976-1977

OUR CO AND XO



JANIE
ALEXANDER

HARD AT WORK



MARTY
LEE



JANIE ON THE MOVE



BEFORE ↗ ↘ AFTER



SOME ENCHANTING EVENINGS.





SQUAD
1976-77



CONNIE
WHITE



LOIS
RIDDLE



JANIE
ALEXANDER



BRENDA
STROUD



DIANE
HEMMEN



JANET
MILLEN



MARTY
LEE

ELLEN
WILHOYTE



HELEN
HARRISON



YOLANDA
THOMAS

SUE McFARLAND



YANESSA
BENTON



MARY Lou
PROCTOR



HOT LINE NEWS



February march

Photo by Bob Coffey

The WKU Pershing Rifles drill team marches through the streets of New Orleans, where it participated in the Mardi Gras celebration last week and placed 12th of 16 teams competing in the Tulane Invitational Drill meet. Western's Rebellettes also were present for the Festivities.

Drill teams to try for national title

The Pershing Rifles and Rebellettes drill teams will compete tomorrow in a national drill team championship at Ohio State University.

The Rebellettes will be defending their national championship.

Competition will begin at 5 a.m. The events will be judged by the Old Guard, the guard of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C.



Practice makes perfect

(Staff Photo by David Gibbons)

MEMBERS OF THE REDBANK Junior drill team of Chattanooga got in some practice Saturday near L.T. Smith Stadium before participating in the Pershing Rifle Team invitational drill meet held

Friday and Saturday at Western Kentucky University. Approximately 160 teams from across the nation were expected to participate in the weekend meet at Western.



Diane Hennen, left, marches beside fellow Rebelettes Debbie Fletcher and Janie Alexander while practicing the precision marching that helped them to become Ohio Valley and national champions. Jeff Yeater, military drill instructor, coaches in the background.

*Rebelettes find honor,
recognition everywhere...*

Except at home

By GREG KUHLE

If you think that Ohio Valley Conference and national championships bring honor and recognition, ask the Rebelettes, Western's female precision drill team.

The Rebelettes labor in relative obscurity at Western despite the honors they have received.

Many people know that the group serves as ushers at Western's athletic events, but few realize that the Rebelettes captured the 1976 OVC drill team title and have been national champions since 1973.

"We are recognized when we travel to places like Purdue and Columbus, Ohio," Janie Alexander, Rebelettes captain, said, "but we don't get any reaction at Western."

"All the other universities up north know who we are, but not here," she said.

The Rebelettes are affiliated with the ROTC program, although ROTC membership is not required to participate,

according to Capt. William Kennedy, group adviser.

"There is no requirement to join the group except being female," Alexander said.

The Rebelettes were founded in 1964 by the Pershing Rifles, Western's military fraternity.

"Original group members were the girl friends of the guys in the Pershing Rifles," Alexander said.

The Rebelettes developed their own style of marching.

The group had 18 members last year, but was hard hit by graduation and has 10 members so far this year, Kennedy said.

"We get a great feeling of accomplishment," Alexander said.

Approximately 30 per cent of Western's 270 military cadets are female, but any Western female can be a Rebelette.

"It's not a sorority per se, but it is a tightly knit group," Kennedy said.

The group does not drill with weapons because of a tradition of not carrying weapons, he said.

The Rebelettes occasionally



Photos by Harold Sinclair

Rebelette Janie Alexander pins a decoration on the uniform of Diane Hennen. The Rebelettes are Western's precision drill team.

give halftime performances at basketball games, which has caused concern among group members.

"We get scared of the crowd reaction because we aren't appreciated much at Western," Alexander said.

The Rebelettes have won the last two national titles in competition with more than 200 female drill teams, according to Kennedy.

The group will be host to a national high school invitational drill meet at Western in the spring, Kennedy said.

Meanwhile, the Rebelettes will compete across the country and attempt to erase their "lost children of Western" image.



Photo by Mark Lyons

Gun shy

Kyle R. Smith, a freshman from Daleville High School, Daleville, Ala., has forgotten the kind of rifle he has during a platoon inspection. Ft. Knox Drill Sgt. Jack Owens was asking him during the WKU National Invitational Drill Meet at Diddle Arena last weekend. The gun is a Remington rifle.



Photo by Ron Hoskins

Fabric-ating

Helen Harrison, a Williamstown freshman, works on a weaving class project in the fine arts center.



*From
this day
forward*

*Rebelettes
Western Kentucky University
Bowling Green, Kentucky
42101*

*An
Invitation*



The 600-mile trek to New Orleans aboard a bus can be tiring but there is ample time to catch a few winks. However, the members of Western's drill teams are all eyes as the bus rolls in the "Crescent City." Pictured above (right) are Diane Hemmen, freshman from Vine Grove; Robert Yeater (center), senior from Vine Grove; and Joe Phillips, sophomore from Louisville.

Pershing Rifles And Rebelettes Represent

Western at Mardi Gras!

Western's student precision drill teams travel to Louisiana in February to participate in Mardi Gras festivities at New Orleans.

The Pershing Rifles, men's ROTC team, and the Rebelettes, women's team—including about 30 students—represented Western in the "Krewe of Jupiter" parade held Thursday, Feb. 17. The parade was a featured event of the annual Mardi Gras celebration, a festival which precedes the observation of Lent in the Christian world.

The marching units received an invitation to participate in an invitational drill meet at Tulane University in New Orleans Feb. 18 and after the invitation was accepted, Western was invited by the office of the governor of Louisiana to march in the Krewe Parade. Capt. William H. Kennedy, assistant professor of military science at Western, is the faculty sponsor of the Pershing Rifles and Rebelettes.

In 1976 the Pershing Rifles won seven trophies and three individual awards, and the Rebelettes currently hold not only the Ohio Valley Conference drill team title but also are the defending champions in national drill competition.



16 Mardi Gras! ROTC on Parade



p. 16—WESTERN AT MARDI GRAS



FAR LEFT: Dennis Kolb, freshman from Valley Station, undergoes inspection during the drill meet at Tulane: LEFT: The Rebelettes march in the "Krewe of Jupiter" parade, a part of New Orleans' Mardi Gras celebration. BACKGROUND: Western ROTC cadets (right) watch the Mississippi River glide toward the Gulf of Mexico from their quarters on the "USS Francis Marion."

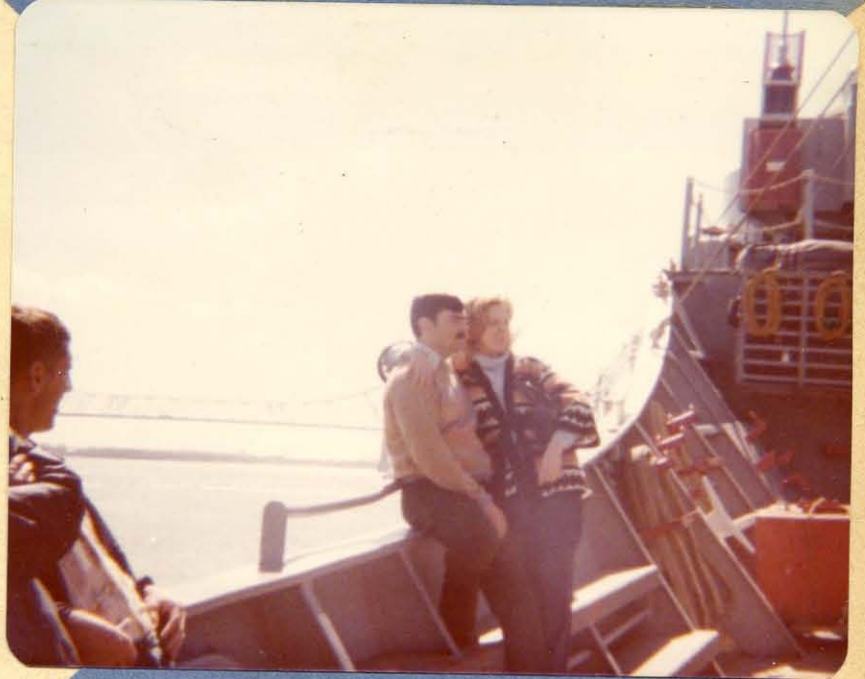


Our
Guys
THE
P/R's.

OUR SPONSORS & FRIENDS



Sgt. & Mrs. Sullivan and Diare Hemmen



Spec. & Mrs. Benefield



The Cadre at Spring Formal



Mrs. Kennedy



Capt. K. cook for B-3.

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LOOK AT THOSE LEGS.

PLAYING
PARTYING
FUN
FOOD



FOOD

FOOD

TOGETHERNESS



PARTY TIME

SMILES

LAUGHS



CAUGHT RED HANDED!



THE WINNER!
MR. LOP EASTER EGG



TIRED WORKERS
AFTER A LONG WEEK-
END



LAZY
DAYS!



PAST OUT
OR

JUST ASLEEP
?? ???



CO Janie Alexander inspects facilities

aboard the USS Francis Marion

LIVING IN STYLE &

COMFORT?



Rebelettes enjoy an
experience ---
the great Navy life??

GO ARMY!

9/8/81

YEAR EVENTS

PUNCH PARTY

CLINIC

CHRISTMAS PARTY

MILITARY BALL

HOMECOMING

BALL GAMES TO USHER
HALFTIME

DRILL MEETS - MADRI GAAS, LA. (PARADE)
COLUMBUS, OHIO. (NATIONALS)
COOKSVILLE, TENN. (OVC)

WKU IDM

SPRING FORMAL

AWARDS DAY

PRACTICE

TEA AT MRS. KENNEDY'S

COOKOUT

OFFICERS

CO - JANIE ALEXANDER

20 - MARTY LEE

S-1 - ELLEN WILHOYTE

S-2 - ELLEN WILHOYTE

S-4 - DIANE HEMMEN

FO - SUE McFARLAND

SPONSORS

CPT & MRS. KENNEDY

SGT & MRS. SULLIVAN

PERSHING RIFLEMEN

Valentines Day
with
The Rebellettes

With the sun shining bright
(It hasn't for so long)
Your beautiful sight
In my heart belongs.

You all know me
(What can I say)
I'm wishing to thee
A Happy Valentines Day

Love,
A "P/R"



FESTIVITIES!

MADRID
GRAS



8-MILE PARADES!



DRILL MEETS



DEAD TO THE WORLD.



FOOLIN' AROUND

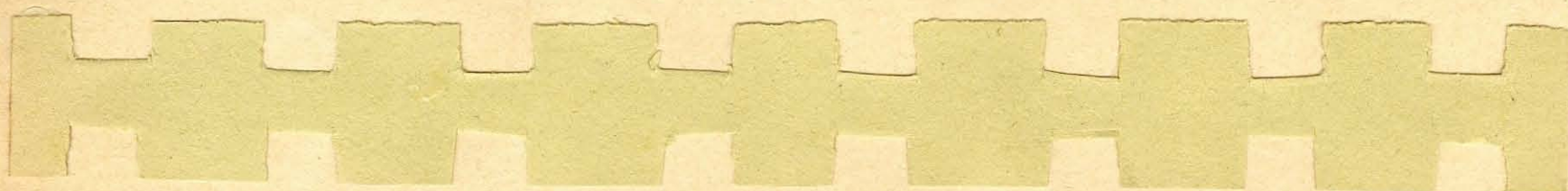
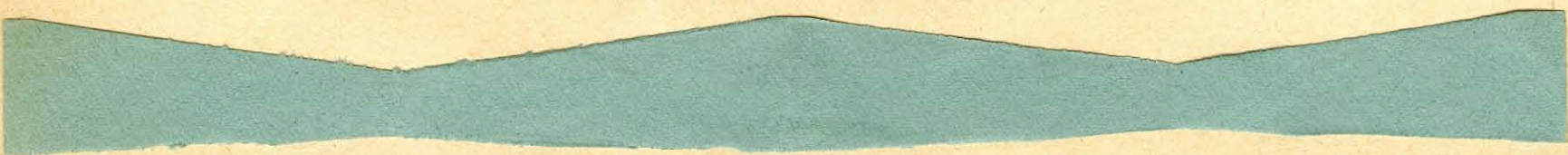


THE LINE UP
WHICH ONE DID IT?

ON THE
FLOOR
IN
STYLE



PRESENT
THOSE
RED
GARTERS

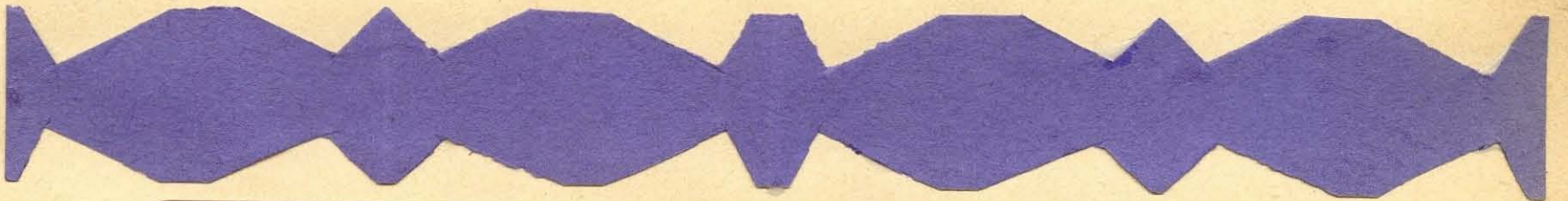




REBELLETES



PERFORM
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CLOWNIN' AGAIN



Col. Riggs poses with some of the girls.

OUR
1975
CHAMPION
TROPHY.



WITH
OUR
RED
GARTERS.

KEEP ON TRUCKIN'



WATCH IT, GIRLS





WHAT ARE YOU ALL
UP TO?



THIS IS WORK?



HARD AT WORK?



OUR NEW
UNIFORMS
MADE
BY
MRS. SULLIVAN



Friends

SPRING



Special
Occasions

Memories



Formal



Parties

REBELETTE BANQUET



CHANGE OF COMMAND



OUR NEW MDI
STEVE RAILEY

A YEAR FILLED WITH NEW FACES
FUN AND FLOWERS
DISAPPOINTMENTS
BUT IT
WAS
ALL WORTH IT



NOW WE LOOK FOWARD
TO A NEW YEAR
NEW FACES
NEW FRIENDS
NEW ADVENTURES
&
NEW CHALLENGES

HOMECOMING

Nov. 6, 1976



P/R - Rebelette Homecoming Float

Space: The Final Frontier



Color Guard

Larry Ferry, Forest Haynes,
Dennis Kolb, DeWayne Johnson



P/R
Homecoming Queen
Candidate --
Sue McFarland.



The machine that made
Saturn turn.

9/8/R



EASTER
at
the
KENNEDY'S

April 10, 1977



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